

## SAN DIEGO COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

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## **Administrative Procedure**

**Chapter 7 – Human Resources** 

AP 7370 - POLITICAL ACTIVITY

No restriction shall be placed on the political activities of any employee of the District except as provided in Board Policy 2716, Board Policy 7370, and these procedures.

No District funds, services, supplies, or equipment, which includes: computers, copying equipment, telephones, mailboxes, e-mail, phone mail, faxes, staff time, use of District wireless services, routers and servers, may be used to urge the support or defeat of any ballot measure or candidate, including, but not limited to, any candidate for election to the Board of Trustees.

District resources may be used to provide information to the public about the possible effects of a bond issue or other ballot measure if both the following conditions are met:

- The informational activities are otherwise authorized by the Constitution or laws of the State of California; and
- The information provided constitutes a fair and impartial presentation of relevant facts to aid the electorate in reaching an informed judgment regarding the bond issue or ballot measure.

Any administrator or a member of the Board of Trustees may appear before a citizens' group that requests the appearance to discuss the reasons why the Board of Trustees called an election to submit to the voters a proposition for the issuance of bonds, and to respond to inquiries from the citizens' group.

An officer or employee of the District may solicit or receive political funds or contributions to promote the support or defeat of a ballot measure that would affect the rate of pay, hours of work, retirement, civil service, or other working conditions of officers or employees of the District. Such activities are prohibited during working hours, and entry into buildings and grounds of the District during working hours is prohibited. Such activities are permitted during nonworking time. "Nonworking time" means time outside an employees' working hours, whether before or after the work day or during the employees' lunch period or other breaks during the day.

Also see BP 2716 titled Political Activity as well as BP 7370 titled Political Activity.

References: Education Code Sections 7050 et seq.

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